

## PARTIES DELAY MERGER; MANY FAVOR HOOVER

Joint Farmer-Labor and Prohibition Committee to Make Report.

*By United Press*  
CHICAGO, July 11.—Action on a proposed combining of forces of the Prohibition party and the Farmer-Labor party was postponed today until after the platforms of the two parties are decided upon.

A joint committee presented a resolution to the respective conventions of the parties by which a committee composed of six members of each would be appointed to decide upon a joint campaign.

It was evident that the coalition movement faced serious difficulties in selection of a presidential candidate and in adoption of a platform.

The Prohibition party would insist upon a dry candidate, if a third party candidate is to be named. Many of the prohibition delegates, it was said, however, favor endorsement of Herbert Hoover.

### Norris Is Mentioned

The Farmer-Labor party, on the other hand, is opposed to Hoover, the farm element objecting to his agricultural policies.

Lafor members of the Farmer-Labor party, it was evident, are opposed to a dry candidate, fearing that a dry could not poll many votes among the labor members of the party.

Three possible coalition candidates were mentioned by delegates to the two conventions. Foremost among these was Senator George W. Norris, Nebraska, regarded as dry enough for the prohibitionists, and agriculturally suitable to the farmers. Governor Gifford Pinchot, Pennsylvania, and former Governor Sweet, Colorado, also were mentioned.

The joint committee was composed of H. R. Garver, Pittsburgh; Phillip Bennett, Oklahoma City; and Lucius C. Dale, Los Angeles, representing the Prohibition party; James Edwin Spar, El Reno, Okla.; Bert Martin, Denver, and William V. Mahoney, Washington, D. C., representing the Farmer-Labor party.

### Propose Heflin for President

Speaking before the Farmer-Labor convention, Dale Pfeiffer, Mason City, Ia., said "we will have to be careful, for if we accept a bone dry as our candidate we will lose the support of a lot of laboring men who agree with the policy of the American Federation of Labor." The Federation recently voted to favor repeal of the Volstead act.

Clinton W. Howard, president of the national united committee, condemned Smith and praised Hoover in a speech before the prohibition party convention.

Senator Thomas J. Heflin (Dem.), Ala., was presented as a candidate for the nomination of the Prohibition party with the statement that Smith must be defeated "even if there must be bloodshed and the cost be our lives."

Dr. B. E. Prugh, Harrisburg, Pa., was chosen permanent chairman of the Prohibition party convention.

## SCHLENSKER CARRIES BATTLE TO HIGH COURT

Seeks to Force Return of \$50,000 Held by State.

Otto Schlesner, Indianapolis automobile parts dealer, today appealed to the Indiana Supreme Court today in a further effort to recover \$50,000 he gave the State board of accounts several years ago in connection with the accounts board State highway commission report.

The accounts board declared he overcharged the highway commission that amount and that he gave the check to repay an overcharge. Schlesner denied any overcharge and said he deposited the \$50,000 to indemnify the State against loss if any overcharge should be proven.

He has lost his fight to regain the \$50,000 before the court of claims and the Appellate Court.

## ASKS TWO INSPECTORS

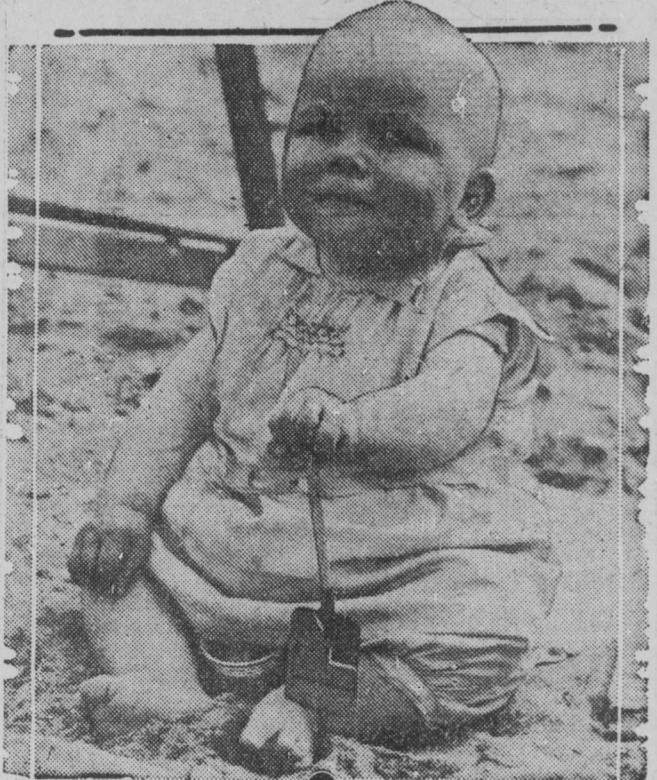
Building Commissioner Requests \$7,000 Increase in Budget.

Building Commissioner William F. Hurd today asked the board of safety for salaries for an additional \$2,400 a building inspector and a \$2,500 a year reinforced concrete inspector in his 1929 budget.

Hurd requested appropriation of \$56,960 for 1929 operation, an increase of \$9,700. Amount for personal service, was listed at \$5,300.

The increased amount of building of recent years has made it necessary to have more than five inspectors, Hurd told the board.

## Heat or the Placidity?



"It's too hot to look pleasant very long, so hurry up and take your picture. Anyway, I've got some serious digging to do." That seemed to be what Kenneth Miller Jr. wanted to say when a photographer for this paper snapped him at Rye Beach, N. Y.

## VISION Defined: What's Seemingly Seen, But Isn't

People Just Think They Have So-Called Premonitions, Says Expert.

## ROBBERS USE 'SICK MAN' RUSE

Motorist Stops to Aid and Gives Up Money.

Bandits on the outskirts of the city Tuesday night used the ruse of a supposedly injured man lying at the side of the road to stop and rob a motorist; begged a ride from another motorist and took his money and automobile; and held up employees of a barbecue stand, according to reports to police today. J. W. Wilkinsen, 424 N. Bosart Ave., was the motorist robbed by the "injured man" ruse.

When he saw one man lying by the road while another signaled him to stop on the Noblesville Rd., six miles north of the city, he slowed down, Wilkinsen told police.

As he stopped the signaler drew a revolver and both men scrambled on the running board. They took \$28.

Two bandits robbed William White, 225 N. West St., and Arthur White, 3105 E. Thirty-Eighth St., both Negroes, of \$15 at the Green Mill Barbecue, 3103 E. Thirty-Eighth St., at 3 a. m.

Returning from a barbecue stand south of the city, where he had sold a steam table, J. C. Holland, 1927 N. Meridian St., stopped at a gasoline filling station, he told police. As he drove off a man stepped on the running board and asked for a ride to the city, and another man pushed him away from the wheel Holland said.

They drove a short distance, drew revolvers, took \$40 and drove off in his machine, leaving him on the Bluff Rd., Holland said.

Telepathy Beautiful Dream

"Persons undergoing such an emotional crisis are more or less victims of amnesia. Later when the scene is actually described they fail to recall exact details of their own previous impression, but identify them with those that are related.

"Their will is powerless in such cases and they are positive that the so-called vision and reality were exactly the same."

"It is obvious that there is no way to foretell events and the idea of mental telepathic vision is a beautiful layman's dream."

BOY TO TAKE POLE TRIP

*By United Press*

NEW YORK, July 11.—A Boy Scout probably will become one of the youngest polar explorers in the history of the world.

Speaking at the Boy Scout camp at Bear Mountain Park, Commander Richard E. Byrd announced he had requested the organization to select one of its members to accompany him on his flying exploration trip to the Antarctic.

Two Brothers Die Same Day

MARION, Ind., July 11.—Mrs. John W. Pittenger, advised of the death of her brother, B. M. Reed of Hopedale, Ohio, was preparing to inform another brother, C. W. Reed, Upland, of the death when she was notified that he, too, had died the same day.

## Acid Stomach

Excess acid is the common cause of indigestion. It results in pain and sourness, about two hours after eating. The quick corrective is an alkali which neutralizes acid. The best corrective is Phillips' Milk of Magnesia. It has remained standard with physicians in the 50 years since its invention.

One spoonful of Phillips' Milk of Magnesia neutralizes instantly many times its volume in acid. It is harmless and tasteless, and its action is quick. You will never rely on crude methods, never continue to suffer

when you learn how quickly, how pleasantly this premier method acts. Please let it show you—now.

Be sure to get the genuine Phillips' Milk of Magnesia prescribed by physicians for 50 years in correcting excess acids. 25c and 50c a bottle—any drug store.

"Milk of Magnesia" has been the U. S. Registered Trade Mark of The Charles H. Phillips Chemical Company and its predecessor Charles H. Phillips since 1875. Advertising

Several radio programs are being considered by Robertson.

## BERLIN RACES PARIS TO SIGN ANTI-WAR PACT

Both Cabinets Approve Early Sanction of Treaty.

*By MAURITZ A. HALGREEN*

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WASHINGTON, July 11.—France and Germany, who a decade ago were facing each other across No Man's Land, now apparently are in a race to notify Washington they will sign Secretary of State Kellogg's war renunciation agreement.

Cabinets of both countries have approved replies to Kellogg's recent request that the proposed treaty be signed without further change, according to information reaching officials here today. These answers are expected to reach Washington within the next two or three days.

It is understood that the German note will be a complete and unqualified endorsement of the American draft and will signify Berlin's willingness to sign the treaty as soon as practicable.

### Signatures in August

France will take the same position, dispatches from Paris said, although the French note will include an "explanation" of France's interpretation of the terms of the treaty.

State Department officials said they saw no need for such a statement, adding, however, that they would not object to this "explanation" if made in the form of a unilateral declaration.

The United States will respect declarations of this sort, it was said, but will not consider itself legally bound by them.

Original plans to have the pact signed here about the second or third week of August probably will be carried out, the United Press was informed. With the German and French replies at hand, twelve other governments still have to be heard from.

Other answers, including particularly those of Great Britain, Poland, Belgium, Czechoslovakia and some of the British dominions, are expected within the coming week.

### May Sign in Paris

Published reports that the treaty may be signed in Paris and that Kellogg may go to France for the ceremony have found no substantiation in official quarters here.

It was said the State Department is keeping an open mind on this point, although the secretary has given no thought to the suggested Paris trip.

Among State Department officials, it generally is anticipated that the great powers will suggest Washington as the scene of the signing ceremony.

### EXECUTE FIVE RUSSIANS

Firing Squad Kills Engineers for Mine Company.

*By United Press*

MOSCOW, July 11.—Five Russian engineers, found guilty and sentenced to death for conspiracy in the Donets Basin mines, were executed Tuesday morning by a firing squad, it became known today.

The five men were said to be leaders in the conspiracy movement that resulted in fifty odd men being tried. Several German engineers were arrested in connection with the movement and for a time international relations were affected by the arrests. None of the Germans, however, received long sentences and one was acquitted.

There were suggestions in the press that plotters or a firebug had caused the disaster, but nothing came of investigations along those lines. The mixed claims commission, however, must decide one way or the other if the interested corporations press their claims.

### GRAPE JUICE SALESMEN BALKA BY DRY CHIEF

Winkler Confiscates Literature, Forbids Further Distribution.

Despite the acquittal of defendants in the "grape juice trial" in Federal court last December, George L. Winkler, deputy prohibition administrator for Indiana, has halted the efforts of two men to reopen the sale of unfermented grape juice in Indianapolis, he said today.

L. G. Condon of Chicago, and James M. Howell of Indianapolis, were distributing grape juice literature from headquarters in the town hotel, Winkler said, but were ordered to cease after their literature was confiscated.

Four officials and salesmen of the United Vineyards Association and the California Vineyards Company, were indicted by the Federal grand jury here last fall, charged with conspiracy, because of sales of unfermented grape juice, which, when exposed to normal temperatures, would ferment and become decidedly alcoholic.

The latter system is practiced in Indianapolis and should, for accuracy, be used over the State.

The tax board did not comment.

### PROPOSES STATE BOARD COMPILE SCHOOL DATA

Albert Walsman Asserts Basis of Taxation Not Uniform.

Plans whereby the State board of accounts would compile school statistics in cities of classes one, two and three for the purpose of offering a fair comparative record in questions of school city tax levies have been presented to the State Tax Board by Albert Walsman, business manager of the Indianapolis school board.

"School city reports today are not uniform," Walsman declared.

"Some cities compute theirs on the basis of enrollment, others on the basis of enumeration and still others on the per day attendance.

The latter system is practiced in Indianapolis and should, for accuracy, be used over the State.

The tax board did not comment.

### BOARD ASKS MORE TIME

Seeks Ten Additional Days to Hear Revaluation Petitions.

Unusual number of revaluation petitions filed with the county board of review has caused the day to petition Circuit Judge Harry O. Chamberlin to allow it to remain in session ten days after July 18, date set for adjournment. The petition has not been acted on.

Chick With Two Bodies

*By United Press*

EVANSVILLE, Ind., July 11.—A Rhode Island Red chick hatched at the home of Jesse Perkins, has two bodies, four legs and one head. It chirps and eats like any other chick, but uses only two of its four legs for transportation.

Batts was to be arraigned before a

United States commissioner, charged with manufacturing and possession of liquor and operating a nuisance. His guests were not arrested.

Macklin Mack, city plan commission engineer, advised the works board that the thoroughfare fund was depleted. The plan and works board will meet this week to discuss advisability of starting the Fifty-Second St. project before other contemplated work.

Atherton took the plan commission on the city is "doing less for Butler than any other city which has a similar institution" and called the situation "disgraceful."

Robertson heads band

Howard E. Robertson, safety board secretary, today was named manager of the Police and Firemen's Band.

Robertson will take over the business management of the city musical organization which recently has been in the hands of the director.

Several radio programs are being considered by Robertson.

## Cold Tooth

*By United Press*

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Ice cream eating has become one of America's greatest habits.

Statistics made public today by the agricultural department showed the per capita consumption of ice cream last year was 2.85 gallons.

The total ice cream production in 1927 was 334,703,610 gallons or 11,033,610 gallons more than in 1926.

American Firms Seek to Collect Balm for Big War-Time Disaster.

*By LYLE C. WILSON*

United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, July 11.—American corporations which lost property in the \$33,000,000 Black Tom Island munitions explosions in New York harbor during the World War are collecting evidence in an effort to prove that German secret agents set off the blasts, the United Press learned today.

The two explosions which occurred almost simultaneously on Black Tom Island on the Jersey side of the harbor took several lives and damaged property on Manhattan Island and in nearby communities.

Under the terms of the treaty of Berlin between the United States and Germany, the latter undertook to compensate American citizens for losses in connection with the war during the entire period of hostilities, from 1914 to 1918.

Strayer would make the open-air, non-partisan mass meeting the chief feature of the V. F. W. national encampment to be held here Aug. 26-31.

Strayer was named general chairman of the convention executive committee by V. F. W. leaders here Tuesday. He will name committee members chairman soon.

Fred K. Wyles, Ft. Wayne, department commander of Indiana, was elected vice chairman, and D. Burr Jones, Rockville, was named chairman of the finance committee. Barney Yanofsky, Kansas City, Mo., editor of Foreign Service, the official veterans' publication, will announce the completed list.

A campaign for \$15,000 fund for convention expenses will be staged by Jones.

About 25,000 veterans will attend the encampment, says Henry T. Davis, of the Indianapolis convention bureau, who is co-operating with the V. F. W.